SADASYATILAKA T. K. VELU PILLAI: My friend Mr. Parameswaran Pillai, has established a reputation for relevant, cogent, and conclusive argument. To-day I cannot give him that credit. He has given me now a target which is wide enough for attack. Government have asked for a supplementary grant. So far as I am able to say, I do not see any need for a supplementary grant for the adjustment of accounts. To come to this House and ask for a supplementary grant in the name of adjustments of accounts—that is what I object to. I first of all said that I do not object to the timber being granted. Apart from personal considerations I am not going to be silent in this matter for this reason. Government did a very good thing in giving timber when it was applied for by a Committee for the purpose of a hospital. That Committee was able to make money. After the timber was granted, merely because somebody committed a mistake somewhere in the matter of adjustments or in some other manner, Government have now come here for this grant. I am very sorry that the Shashtiabdapurthi should be drawn into the vortex of this controversy. There are so many as 65 or 70 memorials and it passes my comprehension why with regard to this one Government should come forward for an adjustment of accounts. I certainly dispute this. If at all, they ought to have come before the House for a grant and not for the adjustment of accounts. If some officer was at fault, he must be dealt with properly. We do not want to be parties to all this here.

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKAR: I do not understand what the honourable member has said. What happened was this. Two years ago Government sanctioned the timber. The Committee took delivery of it as and when they wanted. The Accountant-General got the last invoice only very recently. Then the matter came to Government for sanction. This is the reason for the delay in appraising the House of the expenditure on this account.

MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether the timber was not sold by the Forest Department?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKAR: The timber was delivered to the Committee at the instance of the Government.

MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI: If it was delivered, then what is the fun for this adjustment of accounts?

MR. A. LEKSHMINARAYANA AYYAR: Whether it is a grant in kind or money the vote of the Legislature is required.

The motion was put and carried and the grant was made.

DEMAND XXV—AYURVEDA.

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKAR: I move for a grant of Rs. 950 under Demand XXV - Ayurveda. This amount is required for payment under Examination charges for conducting Public Examinations in Ayurveda in the State. Already a provision of Rs. 900 was allotted in the current year's budget. The reason why I come forward for another amount is this: Last year, there was a provision for Rs. 750 under the same head. When the Director sent up his estimate of the Examination charges he included certain items of expenditure for

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which no sanction had been given. An excess amount of Rs. 182 required for the purpose was also met by diversion after obtaining Government sanction. It took time for Government to consider the matter and give sanction and by that time the year elapsed and the grant lapsed. So, last year's payment was to be met from the provisions made for the current year. So, this additional amount was required to meet the expenditure for the current year. I request that the House will pass this grant.

The motion was put and carried and the grant was made.

DEMAND XXXV-MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTS (c) STORES PURCHASE COMMITTEE.

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Sir, I move for a supplementary grant for Rs. 750 under 35, Miscellaneous Departments (c) Stores Purchase Committee—Contingencies of the Repair Section. Only a provision of Rs. 937 had been made in the current year's budget under Contingencies of the Repair Section attached to the Stores Purchase Committee Office. This provision included Rs. 720 towards pay of two carpenters and one blacksmith. The balance now available for purchase of raw materials, implements, tools, etc., is only Rs. 217; it is proposed to provide an additional allotment of Rs. 750 to meet the additional expenditure.

The motion was put to vote and carried and the grant was made.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS.

THE COURT FEES ACT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*): Sir, I rise to present the report of the Select Committee on the Travancore Court Fees Act (Amendment) Bill. The main change effected by the Committee is that it has omitted Clause 3 relating to Vakil's fees for applications made to Courts. There is no such fee levied in other parts of India. I beg to move that the report made by the Select Committee be taken into consideration.

MR. A. LAKSHMINARAYANA AYYAR: I second it.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN: If this Amendment Bill is passed, may I know, the number and categories of applications that would not come within the exception?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: That is a hypothetical question, Sir. My honourable friend wants to know the number of applications that would not come within the purview of the Bill.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN: Sir, I do not want that.

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: Applications, for instance, for adjournment would not come within the scope of the Bill.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN: If this amendment is passed, may I know the income which the Government is likely to obtain?

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